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1. PLACE OF DEATH County LAND		290	/	
Township		District No. S 4 O 8 Refistered No.		
City		*	w.	
2. FULL NAME STATE	un H	-epher		
(a) Residence. No.		Werd.	·····	
(Usual place of abode) Length of residence in city or town where death oc	surred yrs. mos.	(If nonresident give city or ds. How long in U.S., if of foreign hirth?		
PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL	. PARTICULARS	MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEA	тн .	
3. SEX 4. COLOR OR RACE 5.	SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (write the word)	16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH AY AND YEAR) 2 -	28 19	
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5a. IF MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED HUSBAND OF	•	I HEREBY SRTIFY, That I attended dece		
(OR) WIFE OF		that I last sawds	, 19, en	
6. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR)	12-28-900	death occurrent on the date stated above, at		
AGE YEARS MONTHS	DAYS If LESS than I	THE CAUSE OF DEATH+ WAS AS FOLLOWS:		
	day,hrs. ormin.		***************************************	
8. OCCUPATION OF DECEASED	<u> </u>		**********************	
(a) Trade, profession, or		(duration) yrs.	maa.	
perticular kind of work		CONTRIBUTORY		
business, or establishment in which employed (or employer)		(SECONDARY)		
(c) Name of employer		(duration)yrs.		
9. BIRTHPLACE (CITY OR TOWN)		18. WHERE WAS DISEASE CONTRACTED		
(STATE OR COUNTRY)		DID AN OPERATION DESCRIPTION DESTREE		
	10. NAME OF FATHER		DID AN OPERATION PRECEDE DEATHY DATE OF	
10. NAME OF FATHER		WAS THERE AN AUTOPSYT		
	(N)	WAS THERE AN AUTOPSY!		
	M)	WHAT TEST CONFIRMED DIAGNOSIST		
11. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER TOTY	en)			
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